

MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, DECEMBER 6TH, 2000, 6:00 P.M.

GENERALIZED SUMMARY

VERBATIM DISCUSSION ON TAPE ON FILE IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Councilor Beaver called the work session to order and turned the meeting over to Councilor Carter. Councilor Carter stated that the reason for the work session was to discuss the Special Occupations classifications from Waggoner, Irwin, Scheele and Associates job classification revamp and guidelines on what should happen when an employee leaves (salary for new hire).

Councilor Carter stated that the recommendation of Personnel Committee on employees leaving will be that the salary will revert back to minimum (entry level) or the maximum hire in rate will be midpoint. If the elected official or department head wants to go above that amount the official or department head would have to come back and justify the salary to Personnel Committee. Councilor Altman stated that this should be made part of the personnel policy. Mr. Irwin stated that this should become part of the maintenance program.

President Altman called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamilton County Council.

Auditor Jon M. Ogle called roll: Christine Altman, Brad Beaver, Meredith Carter, Rick McKinney and Judy Levine. Councilors Jim Belden and John A. Hiatt were absent. A quorum was declared.

Everyone stood for a moment of silence as directed by Councilor Brad Beaver and remained standing for the pledge of allegiance.

The first item of business was to approve the minutes of November 1, 2000. Councilor Levine moved to approve the minutes. Councilor Beaver seconded the motion. The motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman had questions on the November 9th and 10th Retreat minutes. Councilor Beaver moved to table the Retreat minutes until January 2001. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (4-1) with Councilor McKinney voting against.

Councilor John A. Hiatt arrived at 7:12 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Dick Frost, Carmel, was present to address the Council. Please see the attached exhibit at the end of the minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Highway

Councilor Beaver stated that a meeting was held and the status of the bond issues were reviewed. Paving projects are starting to shut down due to winter weather. There was some discussion on the Clay Township issues that were discussed at the retreat.

Mr. Les Locke reported that Hamilton County was presented an award at the Annual Ready Mix/Concrete Association meeting. It was for recognition of outstanding concrete construction on the bridge at 146th Street and US 31.

Finance

No report.

GIS

Tammy Baitz, Clerk and Kathy Richardson, Voter Registration were present and reported on the Hamilton County 2000 Election. Please see attached exhibits at the end of the minutes.

Larry Stout reported:

• We had over 70,000 hits on our web page on Election Day. We estimate this translates into about 7,000 voters.

• We have received 92% of the Spring 2000 digital orthophotos from Woolpert. We have accepted 75% and are still reviewing 17%. We expect to receive the final delivery next week.

• Joe Seig is our new GIS Analyst. He started work on November 6th and brings a wealth of GIS experience to us.

Personnel

No report.

Miscellaneous

Tax System

BJ Casali, IS Manager; Robin Mills, Auditor Elect; and Sally Wilson, Treasurer were present to let that Council know that RFP's have went out for a new tax system. The RFP will be awarded in January 2001. Ms. Casali stated that an additional appropriation might be needed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No action was taken on tabled items from 11-01-00.

2001 Board Appointments and Committees will be handled in January 2001.

The Visitor & Convention Proposed Tax Plan remained tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

Mike Reuter's 2001 Consulting Contract

Councilor Hiatt moved to accept Mike Reuter's 2001 Consulting Contract. Councilor Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Soil & Water Vehicle

Councilor Beaver moved to allow the Soil & Water Department to take the \$6,000 allotted to them at budget time and provide themselves with transportation as Soil & Water sees fit with the caveat that the vehicle will not be leased in Hamilton County's name or that it will not be insured by Hamilton County. Councilor Hiatt seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Spay/Neuter Program

Commissioner Clark spoke on the Spay/Neuter Assistance Program that was approved by the County Commissioners. Please see the attached exhibit at the end of the minutes. Ms. Ginny Kelleher, a member of the Animal Task Force was in attendance to speak on this subject.

Councilor Altman would like to appropriate money into the Commissioners budget for the following reason. This would allow the Commissioners to have the ability to choose programs that they think are appropriate county programs.

Transfer of Funds, Amend 144's & Additional Appropriation

Councilor Carter moved to allow Parks 144 amendments for 2000 for the following line items to be made retroactive to January: 1003 C. Bowman for \$31,000; 1012 D. Moore for \$22,500 and 1013 C. Stice for \$31,500. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Altman-no; Beaver-no; Carter-yes; Hiatt-yes; Levine-yes and McKinney-yes. The motion carried (4-2).

Councilor Belden moved to allow Parks transfer of funds from the following line item: 1002 PR Director for \$4,781 to line items 1003 C. Bowman for \$1,281, 1012 D. Moore for \$1,000 and 1013 C. Stice for \$2,500. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-1). Councilor Altman voted against.

Councilor Carter reported that on chief deputies the 75% of the elected officials salary will apply except for the Sheriff chief Deputy.

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for County Assessor line item 1002 B. Gilbert for \$41,934. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Auditor for line items 1001 D. Coverdale for \$52,596; 1010 GIS Specialist for \$32,918 and 1023 GIS Specialist for \$35,600 (the change for line item 1023 will not be effective until pay period 12-23-00). Councilor Hiatt seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Clerk for line items 1000 T. Baitz for \$70,127; 1001 B. Roberts for \$52,596; 139 Data Management Clerk for \$23,503 and 1040 Data Management Clerk for \$23,503. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0). The County Council signed an amended agreement with the Hamilton County Clerk due to her salary change.

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Commissioners for line item 1002 F. Swift for \$49,035. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Council for line item 1001 Administrative Assistant for \$47,549. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (4-2). Councilor Hiatt and McKinney voted against.

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Human Resources for line item 1002 Secretary for \$24,678. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-1). Councilor Beaver voted against.

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Court Administrator for line item 1306 T. Alcorn for \$66,675. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Prosecutor for line items 1002 G. Pennington for \$44,000; 1003 J. Freeman for \$51,000; 1004 J. Wehmueeller for \$66,000; 1005 G.

Lamey for \$68,000; 1006 D. Najjar for \$48,000; 1007 L. Buckingham for \$51,000; 1008 K. Rasheed for \$39,500; 1020 L. Newman for \$42,500; 1021 J. Wandel for \$39,500; 1024 D. Fineberg for \$39,500; 1025 W. Petersen for \$44,000 and 1028 S. Smith for \$44,000. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Prosecutor 4-D for line items 1002 M. Petit for \$69,247 and 1007 D. Rush for \$46,144. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Recorder for line item 1002 J. Hayden for \$41,934. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Safety/Risk Management for line item 1001 J. Rushforth for \$39,900 with the caveat that the Council will review this position and salary after six months. Councilor Levine seconded the motion . The motion carried (5-1). Councilor Beaver voted against.

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Treasurer for line item 1003 K. Good for \$41,934. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Probation for line items 1001 M. Roach for \$61,000; 1002 E. Juarez for \$55,000; 1003 N. Wooldridge for \$41,000; 1004 B. Bragg for \$42,000; 1005 B. Crabtree for \$32,000; 1007 C. Miller for \$31,200; 1010 C. Shafer for \$46,200; 1011 M. Fiebelkorn for \$38,150; 1012 M. Biggs for \$34,500; 1013 A. Mitchell for \$39,000; 1015 C. Bultman for \$39,000; 1017 T. Hansen for \$31,200; 1018 K. McCollum for \$41,000; 1019 K. Campbell for \$31,200; 1020 A. Dollard for \$33,000; 1021 S. Washington for \$37,289; 1022 P. McGriff for \$39,000; 1023 K. Christman for \$38,500 and 1024 D. Sowers for \$31,200. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Voter's Registration for line item 1001 K. Richardson for \$45,000 with the caveat that when Ms. Richardson is in session with the legislature that service not falter. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow County General 2001 144 amendment for Fall Creek Township Assessor for line item 1001 M. Beechler for \$26,265. The Council would like title changes at the Township levels that a "Chief Deputy" title not be used. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow Highway General 2001 144 amendment for line item 1001 T. Stevens for \$80,516; 1002 L. Locke for \$78,273 and 1028 H. Irvin for \$15.32 per hour. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow Federal Juvenile Accountability Grant 2001 144 amendment for line item 1001 M. Madden for \$40,295. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow Unified Probation 316 Fund 2001 144 amendments for line items 1001 D. Williams for \$32,000; 1002 T. Miller for \$39,000; 1003 E. Bowser for \$39,500; 1006 J. Swindell for \$29,000; 1009 M. Todd for \$28,500; 1010 R. Evans for \$25,311; 1011 Probation Officer for \$26,000; 1012 C. Gilmore for \$24,809 and 1013 Probation Officer for \$25,000. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow CARE Fund 2001 144 amendment for line items 1002 N. Schoenherr for \$36,000; 1003 Probation Officer for \$24,522 and 1004 Probation Officer for \$25,000. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Carter moved to allow Pretrial Diversion Fund 2001 144 amendment for line item 1001 L. Diruzza for \$27,183. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Hiatt moved to allow County General transfer of funds for Commissioners \$3,000 from line item 3604 Travel & Other to 2001 Supplies. Councilor Levine seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Levine moved to allow County General transfer of funds for Community Corrections \$4,000 from line item 1001 C/O to 1407 Overtime. Councilor Hiatt seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Hiatt moved to allow County General transfer of funds for Emergency Management \$2,700 from line item 1300 Part time & \$125.32 from 1002 Deputy Director to line item 3713 Contractual Services. Councilor Levine seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Hiatt moved to allow County General transfer of funds for Superior Court 1 \$1,180 from line item 3604 Travel; \$589 from line item 3602 Mileage & \$300 from 3603 Seminars to line item 4012 Law Books. Councilor Beaver seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Councilor McKinney moved to allow County General transfer of funds for Unified Probation \$10,000 from line item 3713 Contractual to 2001 Supplies. Councilor Hiatt seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Beaver moved to allow County General transfer of funds for Delaware Township Assessor \$1,000 from line item 3201 Rent; \$5,000 3201 Rent & 3603 Seminars for \$1,000 to 2001 Supplies for \$1,000; 4001 Furniture \$6,000. Councilor Levine seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Levine moved to allow Parks transfer of funds for \$10,693.34 from line item 1305 Life Guards & \$6,434.19 from line item 1306 Concessions to 1302 Laborers for \$8,434.19 and \$8,693.34 for Overtime. Councilor Levine seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

Request for additional appropriation for County General Commissioners line item 3713 Contractual Service for \$2,826 was withdrawn.

Councilor Hiatt moved to allow County General additional appropriation for Commissioners for line item 3847 H.C. Tax Sale for \$4,580. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Hiatt moved to allow the additional appropriation for White River Township Assessor for line items 3301 Telephone for \$400 and 3602 Mileage for \$100. Councilor Levine seconded the motion and the motion carried (6-0).

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

Mr. Culp prepared an Ordinance for a "Cash Change Fund". This Ordinance will appear on the January agenda.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Beaver thanked Mr. Jon Ogle for his years of service as Auditor of Hamilton County.

Councilor McKinney reported that the Swearing in will be December 27th; County Christmas Dinner will be December 21st; Joint Parks Board meeting will be December 13th and the next meeting of the Council will be January 10th.

AUDITOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Ogle thank the Council for working with him during his tenure as Auditor.

The meeting was duly adjourned.

Those present:

Larry Stout, GIS Sally Wilson, Treasurer

BJ Casali, ISS Department Tammy Baitz, Clerk

Les Locke, County Engineer Emily Pittman, Ledger

Tom Stevens, Highway Dick Frost, Citizen

Al Patterson, Parks Bob Hendricks, Emergency Management

Cindy Ramsey, Humane Society Teresa Cotton Humane Society

Ginny Kelleher, Humane Society Jeff Silvey, Student

Jimmy Werbe, Student Jeff Rushforth, Safety/Risk Management

Sheena Randall, Human Resources Sharon Clark, Commissioner

Mary Clark, Recorder Jim Riggs, SWCD

Cathy Myers, SWCD Carl Bowman, Parks Department

Melissa Dashiell, Tax Mapping Debbie Folkerts, County Assessor

Madonna Roach, Probation Director

President, County Council Auditor, Council Secretary